

"WHITE SLAVE" FILMS BARRED

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time and that of the operator's taken up in continuing the production. The "Traffic in Souls" film was just as vicious and immoral in places.

The committee viewed the pictures as mature men, and not particularly as reformers, and our judgment was that it was too apparent and too plain that the women shown therein were leading immoral lives. Personally, I am convinced that such plays are highly injurious to public morals, and are particularly liable to be harmful to the morals of young women.

Capt. Hollinberger said the film "disclosed without reserve the inside workings of the white slave traffic."

Officers of the Washington Truth Society were free in expressions of praise of Maj. Sylvester, Mr. Varnell, and Capt. Hollinberger.

"We are unable to say what will be done with 'The Inside of the White Slave Traffic' pictures," said A. P. Waxman, manager in charge of the films, and Louis Price, who is the special representative of the Sociological Research Film Corporation. "We have a telephone call in for the New York office now to advise them of the result of the censorship here, and we will remain in Washington, I suppose, until we hear from Samuel H. London, the producer. It was a surprise to us that Washington authorities should rule the pictures out when Baltimore, Newark, Trenton, Troy, Brooklyn, and Schenectady have permitted them to run."

Change in Program.

"The Inside of the White Slave Traffic" film was to have inaugurated the winter season of the Majestic, and Manager Louis H. Baker was unable to say what his program would be for the remainder of the week. "I expect we will have to defer the opening until next week," he said.

Tom Moore, proprietor of the Garden Theater, last night issued a statement in behalf of the moving picture men of Washington, in which he deplored the attempts of out-of-town companies to thrust indecent productions on the Capital, to the detriment of the local moving picture business.

"Again and again," said Mr. Moore, "films representing various features of the white slave traffic have been offered to the regular moving picture houses of Washington, and in every case refused. The unfortunate occurrences of today have been brought about by outsiders. The regular local exhibitors would not take their productions. A serious reflection has been cast on the moving picture field by these unscrupulous producers."

At the Helms money was refunded for tickets purchased for last night's performance.

Suits aggregating \$10,000 have been filed against those responsible for the "Inside of the White Slave Traffic" films. Samuel H. London, under whose direction the films were produced, has been served with papers for ten suits of \$100,000 each, brought by Solomon Hechter, proprietor of a cafe, and his wife, Mrs. Nettie Hechter. The Hechtens allege that the pictures were taken under the representation that they were to be used in a Hungarian wedding scene. Their claim, they say, was represented as white slave headquarters. The suits are filed against London, against the Sociological Film Corporation, against the Moral Feature Film Co., against Leo Teller of Broadway Theater, Brooklyn, and against McKee & Harris of the Park Theater, New York.

Suit for \$50,000.

August G. Merie & Co., makers of infants and women's headwear, in West Seventeenth street, New York, have filed suit for \$50,000, alleging the use of their building as the scene of a meeting between a factory girl and a "vader."

The "Traffic in Souls" pictures were said to have been based on the Rockefeller Report of White Slavery, and were intended, it is said, "to depict vividly the inner workings of the vice interests in New York City, and the snare that is being laid for young girls," as described in the report. Mr. Rockefeller is reported as having branded the film, however, as being injurious to public morals.

Mrs. Belmont and Mrs. Inez Milholland Boies-Batra, were interested in "The Inside of the White Slave Traffic" film, believing that it possessed educational value.

News Nuggets from Telegraph and Cable

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 21.—Representatives of the Socialist party, Industrial Workers of the World, and several other organizations have petitioned the city council to appropriate at once \$500,000 and take steps to provide \$5,000,000 more for public works on which 25,000 idle men could be employed.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 21.—Fire discovered this forenoon destroyed the seven-story department store of the C. T. Sherer Company, Front and Commercial streets, in Worcester.

The loss at noon was estimated at \$500,000. A general alarm was sounded because of the location of the building in the heart of the business district.

Goodland, Kans., Dec. 21.—"There is more water in western Kansas than the people can ever use," said Erasmus H. Worth, professor of geology in the University of Kansas. Prof. Worth displayed a map showing a good water supply from twenty-five to 150 feet beneath the surface of 50 per cent of the western half of the State. If the farmers would utilize these streams, he said, Kansas would become one of the greatest irrigation States in the Union.

Baltimore, Dec. 21.—Leaping from a third-story window of the Maryland General Hospital, Robert R. Henry, a farmer of Woodbine, Md., a patient in the institution, killed himself today. The coroner gave a verdict that the man committed suicide during a fit of delirium.

Plymouth, Mass., Dec. 21.—Plymouth Rock was such a popular meet for tourists and excursionists last summer that the Pilgrim Society, which voluntarily guards the sacred stone, will find it necessary next spring to spend about \$200 in new sod, fencing and rails. Only a few pieces have been clipped off by souvenir hunters during the last year owing to the guarding of the police.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 21.—Since the acquittal of Mendel Beilis, popular discussion has turned to the sentencing of the "Demons of the Steppes." Eleven have been sentenced to death and thirty-nine to long terms.

In the last five years the "Demons" have committed 200 murders. They murdered chiefly by hanging.

Brockton, Mass., Dec. 21.—Gagged and bound to a tree early today, a pair of silk stockings she had purchased as Christmas gifts, Eva N. Boudrenou, a sixteen-year-old girl, was robbed of \$18.25 by two highwaymen.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 21.—Five Secret Service men this morning searched the Warren liner Michigan, from Liverpool, unsuccessfully for Chinese stowaways. Their search made it known that smuggling of Chinese by the so-called "Chi-

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fixed \$3,000,000, and the Senate cut the amount to \$2,000,000.

A Senate amendment fixing the dividend to be returned on the stock of regional associations at 6 per cent was agreed to. The House had provided a dividend of 5 per cent.

A Senate amendment requiring that two members of the Federal reserve board shall be experienced in banking and finance was adopted by the conference.

On the important provision requiring compulsory rediscunt by one regional bank of the paper of another regional bank, a compromise was reached, by which such compulsory rediscunt can only be imposed on a regional bank by an affirmative vote of five members of the Federal reserve board.

A gratifying result of the conference was the acceptance of the Senate requirement for a gold reserve against reserve bank notes. The House had fixed the percentage of reserve required to be held by the regional banks against note issues at 22 1/2 per cent. After a determined fight, the Senate increased the reserve to 40 per cent, and fixed a tax on depletion. The Senate provision was agreed to exactly as written.

May Remove Director.

The House also yielded to the Senate on the Senate amendment authorizing national banks to act as trustees, executors, etc. Another Senate amendment which the House conferees accepted authorizes the Federal reserve board to remove or suspend any director or officer of a regional reserve bank.

As was generally predicted, the Senate provisions as to redemption money available for redeeming regional reserve notes was adopted. These notes must be redeemed in gold when presented at the Treasury Department, but may be redeemed in either gold or "lawful money" when presented at a regional bank at the election of the bank. It has been understood within the last few days that in the final draft of this provision gold redemption absolutely will prevail, and that the issue of a note presented to the regional bank for redemption, might exercise his election between gold and lawful money. But members of the Conference Committee made it clear last night that the election will be the bank's and not the holder's.

Senator O'Gorman had the satisfaction of having the conference regularly agree to amendments which he put into the bill in the Senate, providing that in selecting the regional bank districts regard should be had for the geographical, financial, and industrial needs of the country.

PRESIDENT KEPT INFORMED OF WORK OF CONFERENCE

President Wilson was informed by telephone at frequent intervals yesterday as to the progress being made by the House conferees on the currency bill.

Last night, when he learned that the Senate had yielded on the provision with regard to the organization and the domestic reserves, the last doubt vanished from his mind as to whether he would sign the bill as it will finally be agreed upon. The President did not regard the differences between the House and Senate provisions for the making-up of the Federal Reserve Board as of sufficient importance to justify a veto by him, whichever side was forced to yield.

As a result of the information which came down from the Capitol, Mr. Wilson formed the opinion that the measure will be reported to the two houses some time today and that unless unforeseen delays are encountered, will be brought to his desk for signing to-morrow. He plans that the conferees accompanying the signing of the measure shall be closely similar to those that marked his formal approval of the Underwood-Simmons tariff bill.

Members of the banking and currency committees of the House and Senate, Cabinet officers, and other high officials, who have been prominently identified with the drafting and marketing of the new currency law, will be invited to his office. Probably he will use two pens to sign his name, so that there may be one for the chairman of each committee, Senator Owen and Representative Glass, whose names the bill will bear.

Following the signing, Mr. Wilson, it is expected, will make a short address upon the importance of the measure, expressing his confidence that it will have an immediately salutary effect upon the business conditions of the country. It is expected that he will take pains to reassure the business men in much the same fashion as he did in the letter which Attorney General McReynolds made public with regard to the American Telephone and Telegraph agreement.

Rebuilt Nose a Failure.

St. Louis, Dec. 21.—A presentable nose on a girl's face is worth \$100, a jury decided here in the suit of Miss Olga Schoenlaub, twenty, against a surgeon, Dr. James Taylor Pinkstaff. The evidence showed that Miss Schoenlaub's nose was somewhat crooked in when the surgeon began working on it and that now it is worse.

FRESHMAN TOO FRESH.

Girls Give One of Their Number an Ice Water Bath.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Dec. 21.—Because they claimed she was too fresh for a freshman, too popular with the men of the institution, and even dared to exercise some of the steps of the tango with a man in the "Jungle," a park near the college, Miss Helen Stuart, of Oklahoma City, was taken captive at night by kimono-clad sophomores and "tubbed."

Clad in a fetching kimono, the girl was taken from her study room in McGregor Hall and, in spite of her screams and the kicking of her dainty feet, she was forcibly taken into the bathroom and plunged in a tub of ice water. Shivering and spluttering, the girl leaped from the tub and ran to her room.

When some of the upper class girls found out about the escapade they reprimanded the sophomores, warning them against such practices in future.

POISON IN THEIR COFFEE.

Four May Die as Result of Drinking Drugged Beverage.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 21.—Four persons were poisoned, perhaps fatally, today, when they drank coffee, evidently containing some deadly drug, in their home at 211 North Central avenue.

The poisoned persons, who are now in St. Joseph's hospital, are: Mrs. Cecilia Richmond, fifty-five years old; Michael Richmond, fifty-eight, her husband; Mrs. Beasie Morgenstein, thirty-five, daughter of the Richmonds; Stella Morgenstein, seven, daughter of Mrs. Morgenstein.

Myer Richmond, a son of the elder pair, escaped the poison by appearing late for his breakfast.

Mrs. Richmond's condition was so serious she could not be questioned.

To Spite Wife, Prefers Jail.

Marion, Okla., Dec. 21.—"I'll stay in jail until the ants carry me through the hole before I pay her a cent," Henry Every, Erie Railroad employee, told Mayor Claude Walters when arraigned on a nonsupport charge. "You'll work out a fine of \$200 at 40 cents a day and serve a sentence of six months in the workhouse," said the mayor. This will give him 90 days in jail. Mrs. Every and two children will get 40 cents a day while her husband is imprisoned.

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